

beetles *Hyphydrus ovatus* (L.), *Haliphus confinis* Stephens, *Helochaeres lividus* (Forster) and *Noterus clavicornis* (Degeer), one water boatman *Cymatia coleoprata* (Fabr.), the water walker *Hydrometra stagnorum* (L.), the saucer bug *Ilycoris cimicoides* (L.) and two common damselflies *Enallagma cyathigerum* (Charpentier) and *Ischnura elegans* (Vander Linden).

Only two soldier flies, the single *Odontomyia tigrina* and several specimens of the pretty black and yellow species *Oxycera rara* (Scopoli) elevated the site from the wholly mundane and offered the promise of some slight invertebrate potential for the pond.— RICHARD A. JONES, 135 Friern Road, East Dulwich, London SE22 0AZ. (bugmanjones@hotmail.com).

***Prionocyphon serricornis* (Müller) (Col.: Scirtidae) in Wiltshire and Suffolk**

Prionocyphon serricornis was originally assigned Red Data Book category 3 (Rare) status by Shirt (1987, *British Red Data Books: 2. Insects*. NCC), but was subsequently downgraded to Notable B by Hyman & Parsons (1992, *A review of the scarce and threatened Coleoptera of Great Britain. Part 1*. UK Nature Conservation No. 3. JNCC). Larvae occur in wet or water-filled rot-holes in trees; they are also frequently encountered in the root-plate pools of beech *Fagus sylvatica*. Larvae appear to be more often recorded than adults.

As I am unaware of any published records for Wiltshire and Suffolk the following captures would seem noteworthy.

Wiltshire: Bemerhills, Grovely Wood, Great Wishford, grid reference SU 0634, 2 beaten from mature oak *Quercus*, 11.viii.1971; Bagfield Copse, Hamptworth, SU 22, 1 beaten from oak *Quercus*, 7. viii. 1986.

Suffolk: Shrubland Park Estate, Coddendam, TM 1253, 1 swept near beeches *Fagus sylvatica*, 20.ix.1986.

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Fourth update of early emergences of moths at Selborne

The table overleaf continues the comparison (*Ent. Rec.* **111**: 286-287) between my earliest observations of non-hibernatory species in 1992-94 with those in 1995-1997. The m.v. light was run here on just over 320 nights during each year of the survey. Of these next 42 species, 29 arrived earlier in 1995-97 than in 1992-94. Three species shared the same earliest date in both periods. Fifteen species were up to a month earlier than is usually expected.

Species	1995-1997	1992-1994	MBGBI imago
947 <i>Aethes smeathmanniana</i> (Fabr.)	15 May 97	1 Jun 93	May-Aug
1764 <i>Chloroclysta truncata</i> (Hufn.)	15 May 95	24 May 93	May, Jun
1802 <i>Perizoma affinitata</i> (Steph.)	15 May 97	13 May 94	May-Jul
1832 <i>Eupithecia assimilata</i> (Doubl.)	15 May 97	27 May 92	May, Jun
1976 <i>Sphinx ligustri</i> (Linn.)	15 May 95	2 Jun 93	Jun, Jul
1994 <i>Phalera bucephala</i> (Linn.)	15 May 97	22 May 93	Jun, Jul
2069 <i>Tyria jacobaeae</i> (Linn.)	15 May 97	17 May 94	May-Jul
2158 <i>Lacanobia thalassina</i> (Hufn.)	15 May 95	4 Jun 93	May-Jul
2289 <i>Acronicta rumicis</i> (Linn.)	15 May 97	15 May 94	May-Jul
2291 <i>Craniophora ligustri</i> (D.&S.)	15 May 95	25 Jul 94	Jun, Jul
1021 <i>Cnephasia asseclana</i> (D.&S.)	16 May 97	4 Jun 93	Jun-Aug
1219 <i>Lathronympha strigana</i> (Fabr.)	17 May 97	29 May 93	May-Sep
1259 <i>Cydia fagiglandana</i> (Zell.)	17 May 97	20 Jul 92	Jun-Aug
1868 <i>Aplocera efformata</i> (Guen.)	17 May 97	14 May 94	May, Jun
1958 <i>Lomographa temerata</i> (D.&S.)	17 May 97	10 May 94	May, Jun
2089 <i>Axylia putris</i> (Linn.)	17 May 97	22 May 93	Jun, Jul
1819 <i>Eupithecia exiguata exiguata</i> (Hb.)	18 May 95, 97	16 May 94	May, Jun
1827 <i>Eupithecia intricata arceuthata</i> (Freyer)	18 May 97	31 May 92	May, Jun
2337 <i>Oligia strigilis</i> (Linn.)	18 May 97	4 Jun 93	May-Jul
2078 <i>Nola confusalis</i> (H.-S.)	19 May 97	27 Apr 93	May, Jun
1428 <i>Aphomia sociella</i> (Linn.)	20 May 95	10 May 93	Jun-Aug
1937 <i>Peribatodes rhomboidaria</i> (D.&S.)	20 May 97	6 Jun 94	Jul-Sep
1944 <i>Hypomecis punctinalis</i> (Scop.)	20 May 95, 97	30 May 92	May-Jul
2326 <i>Apamea crenata</i> (Hufn.)	20 May 95	6 May 94	May-Jul
2387 <i>Caradrina morpheus</i> (Hufn.)	20 May 97	22 May 94	Jun, Aug
2126 <i>Xestia c-nigrum</i> (Linn.)	21 May 97	26 May 93, 94	May-Oct

Species	1995-1997	1992-1994	MBGBI imago
2157 <i>Lacanobia w-latinum</i> (Hufn.)	21 May 95	25 May 93	May-Jul
2173 <i>Hadena bicruris</i> (Hufn.)	21 May 95	27 May 93	May-Jul
1778 <i>Hydriomena impluviata</i> (D.&S.)	22 May 97	23 Jun 94	May-Jul
2278 <i>Acrionicta megacephala</i> (D.&S.)	22 May 97	22 May 93	May-Jul
1279 <i>Dichrorampha acuminatana</i> (Lien. & Zell.)	23 May 95	15 May 94	May, Jun
1392 <i>Udea olivalis</i> (D.&S)	23 May 95	29 May 92	Jun, Jul
2000 <i>Notodonta dromedarius</i> (Linn.)	23 May 95	9 May 93	May, Jun
2302 <i>Rusina ferruginea</i> (Esp.)	24 May 95	8 Jun 93	Jun, Jul
1652 <i>Thyatira batis</i> (Linn.)	25 May 95	9 Jun 93	May-Jul
1681 <i>Cyclophora linearia</i> (Hb.)	25 May 95	8 Jun 94	May-Jul
2123 <i>Diarsia rubi</i> (View.)	25 May 95	21 May 94	May, Jun
1457 <i>Hypochalcia ahenella</i> (D.&S.)	26 May 97	8 Jul 94	Jun, Aug
2120 <i>Diarsia mendica mendica</i> (Fabr.)	26 May 97	26 May 93	Jun-Aug
2339 <i>Oligia latruncula</i> (D.&S.)	26 May 97	6 Jun 94	May-Jul
2382 <i>Hoplodrina blanda</i> (D.&S.)	26 May 95, 97	10 Jun 93	Jun-Aug
2410 <i>Protodeltote pygarga</i> (Hufn.)	26 May 97	9 Jun 93	May-Jul

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The recent occurrence of *Anthocoris minki* Dohrn (Hem.: Cimicidae) in London

An invertebrate survey of Forster Memorial Park, Catford (grid reference TQ 385723), in the south-east London borough of Lewisham produced a surprising species list, with several ancient woodland indicator species, supporting the notion that the park sits on the site of a double assart – an assart being a clearing made inside a woodland for agricultural use, leaving boundaries of wooded strips rather than hedgerows.

The boundary of one of the assarts has apparently been destroyed, and is replaced by a modern (probably middle 20th century) row of Lombardy poplars. It was here that one of the most unusual finds was discovered – the small “flower” bug *Anthocoris minki*. This very local bug is accorded “nationally rare” status (Red Data